# The 'Pick List'

Choosing an Employment Provider in Orange County
2016







### **How to Use This List**

As a client of Indiana Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VR), you are now a part of a team focused on your employment goals. VR has a list of employment service providers located throughout the state. These providers will help you achieve your goals by giving you the supports and services you need—things like help with writing a resume, filling out applications, or on-the-job coaching.

Now that your counselor has determined you are eligible for services, you have the opportunity to select an employment provider in your area. On the following pages, you'll find the employment providers in your county along with their contact information and a list of services they offer.

Be sure to ask your VR counselor if you don't know what some of the services are. The services you need will depend on your goals. You may not need all of the services you see listed on the chart.

We encourage you to contact each of the providers on this list. You can call them, set up a meeting, or send an email. Tell them you are a VR client and you would like to talk with them about the services they offer. Take notes so you can compare providers and choose the one that's right for you. It's important to select the provider you feel most comfortable working with and the one that you think can best help you meet your goals.

Once you've chosen an employment provider, tell your VR counselor. She/he will get things started for you.

#### Any questions? Ask your VR counselor!

My VR Counselor						
Name						
Phone						
Email						



## **Orange County Provider Contact Info**

Address	Contact	Individu	Individuals Served		
Assist, Inc. Main Office & Service Site Location: 605 Ohio Street, Ste. 204 Terre Haute, IN 47807	Dianna Williams (812) 235-2578 assistdis@aol.com	<ul><li>Deaf</li><li>Developmentally Disabled</li></ul>	<ul><li>Blind</li><li>Traumatic Brain Injury</li><li>Mental Illness</li></ul>		
*Provider serves 24 counties with other service	ce sites in the following county: Vigo.				
Blue River Services, Inc. Main Office & Service Site Location: 1365 Old Hwy 135 W. Corydon, IN 47112	Ronda Elrod (812) 738-6901 bresmgr@brsinc.org	<ul><li>Deaf</li><li>Blind</li><li>Developmentally Disabled</li></ul>	<ul><li>Transition-Age Students</li><li>Traumatic Brain Injury</li><li>Mental Illness</li></ul>		
*Provider serves 12 counties.					
Child Adult Resource Services, Inc. (C.A.R.S.) Main Office & Service Site Location: 210 North Dormeyer Avenue Rockville, IN 47872	<ul><li>1) Carrie Kline (765) 337-1506 ckline@cars-services.org</li><li>2) Jeff Uhey (765) 569-2076 juhey@cars-services.org</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Deaf</li> <li>Blind</li> <li>Developmentally</li> <li>Disabled</li> <li>Traumatic Brain Injur</li> <li>Mental Illness</li> </ul>			
*Provider serves all 92 counties with other se Tippecanoe, Vanderburgh, and Vigo.	rvice sites in the following counties: Clay, Dela	aware, Howard, Knox, Marion, Mor	ntgomery, Putnam,		
Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center, Inc.  Main Office & Service Site Location:	Kelly Schneider (812) 437-2612 kschneider@evansvillerehab.com	<ul><li>Deaf</li><li>Developmentally Disabled</li></ul>	<ul><li>Blind</li><li>Traumatic Brain Injury</li><li>Mental Illness</li></ul>		
3701 Bellemeade Avenue Evansville, IN 47714					
	ce sites in the following counties: Posey and V	anderburgh.			
Evansville, IN 47714	Rebecca Kemple (812) 723-4486 rkemple@firstchancecenter.com	anderburgh.  • Developmentally  Disabled	Mental Illness		
Evansville, IN 47714  *Provider serves 21 counties with other service  First Chance Center  Main Office & Service Site Location:  986 West Hospital Road	Rebecca Kemple (812) 723-4486	Developmentally	Mental Illness		

\*Provider serves all 92 counties with other service sites in the following counties: Kosciusko, Marion, Porter, and St. Joseph.

#### **Indiana Mentor**

Main Office & Service Site Location: 8925 N. Meridian St., Ste. 200 Indianapolis, IN 46260 Chrissie Beik (317) 208-7733

Christine. beik@thementornetwork.com

- Deaf
- Blind
- Developmentally Disabled
- Transition-Age
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Mental Illness

Students

<sup>\*</sup>Provider serves all 92 counties with other service sites in the following counties: Allen, Jackson, Lake, Lawrence, Miami, Monroe, St. Joseph, and Tippecanoe.



# **Provider Employment Services**

This chart lets you compare providers based on the services they offer.

#### **Additional Services Legend**

AT – Assistive Technology

AU Eval. – Audiological Evaluation

BIN – Benefits Information Network

DE - Drivers Education

DME Eval. – Durable Medical Equipment Evaluation

HM – Home Modification

OT – Occupational Therapy

PT – Physical Therapy

TTW - Ticket to Work

VM – Vehicle Modifications

Provider	Situational Assessment	Job Shadows	Vocational Assessment	Work Experience	Job Development/ Placement/ Retention	Job Readiness Training	On-the-Job Supports	Supported Employment	Additional Services
Assist, Inc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Blue River Services, Inc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN, DE, and TTW
Child Adult Resource Services, Inc. (C.A.R.S.)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN and TTW
Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center, Inc.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	AT, AU Eval., BIN, DE, DME Eval, HM, OT, PT, TTW, and VM
First Chance Center	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Globe Star, LLC	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN and TTW
Indiana Mentor	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	BIN and TTW



## **Glossary**

#### **Assistive Technology**

Any equipment, item, or technology used to improve function and capability.

#### **Benefits Information Network**

A group of Indiana professionals who have been trained in and have knowledge of federal, state, and local benefits and work incentives. BIN liaisons understand the impact of income on long-term supports and services and can advise workers and families on how best to maintain employment while building more financial independence.

#### **Discovery**

An opportunity to explore talents, interests, preferences, capabilities, and ideal work environment in order to identify an appropriate vocational goal. Specific Discovery activities vary based on individual need, but could include vocational testing, job shadowing, or career exploration.

#### Home and Wheelchair Modification

Any change to a home or workplace environment that can help an employee get to work or access a job site. Examples could include widening a doorway or creating a keyboard tray for a wheelchair.

#### Job Development/Placement/Retention

The process of working with an employer to either identify appropriate jobs and promote an individual with disabilities as a job candidate or help an individual keep a job.

#### **Job-Readiness Training**

The process of assisting clients in identifying goals as well as training strategies designed to help an individual meet them.

#### **Job Shadowing**

The opportunity to visit an employer in the community and observe different jobs.

#### **On-the-Job Supports**

Supports provided in the workplace to help an employee learn and maintain a job. These include the use of a job coach or consultation with an employment specialist.

#### **Situational Assessments**

Activities that give an employment provider the chance to observe an individual in a certain working environment or doing a specific job task.

#### **Supported Employment**

Paid, community-based employment with ongoing supports that can help individuals learn tasks, be included, and keep their jobs.

#### **Ticket to Work**

A free work incentive program from the Social Security Administration for some people with disabilities who receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI). Eligible individuals can assign their "ticket" (not a real paper ticket) to an employment network or to Indiana Vocational Rehabilitation Services for coordinating job search, placement, and retention services.

#### **Work Experiences**

First-hand, work-based learning opportunities that can help determine individual interests and preferences.